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"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place," Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance," Acts 2:4.

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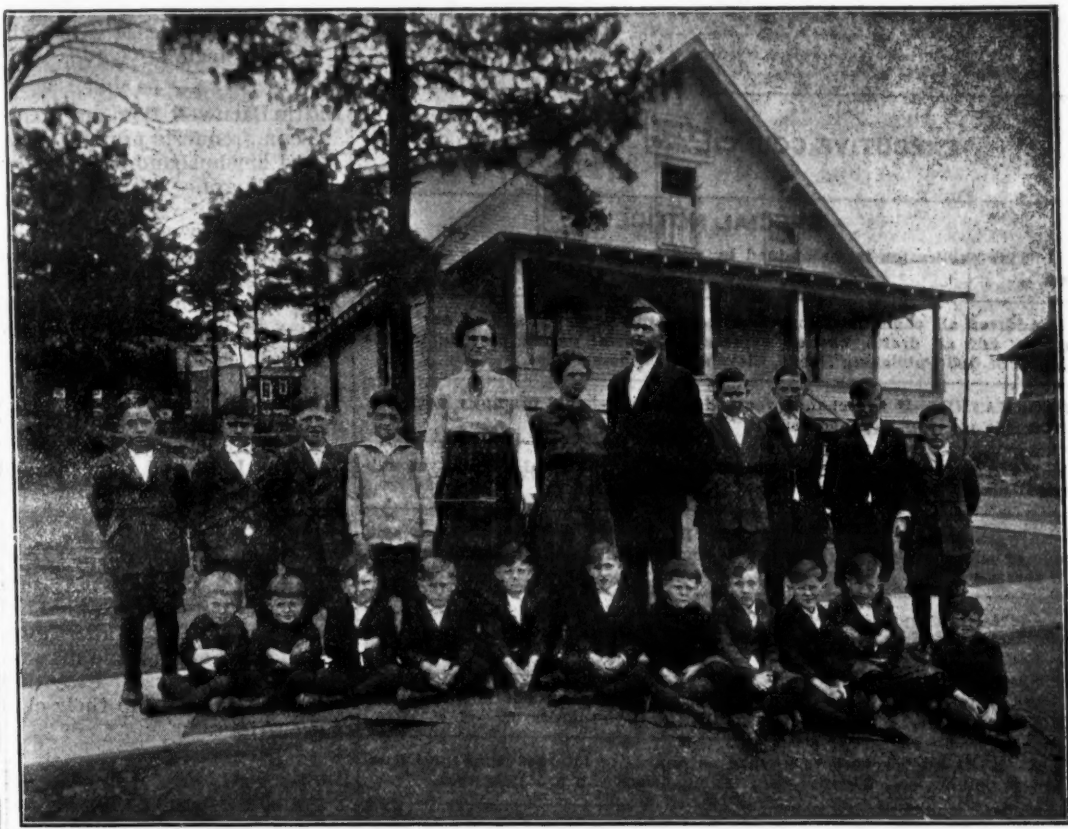
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Remember The Cry of The Orphan!

"Whoso Stoppeth His Ears at the Cry of the Poor, he Also Shall Cry Himself, but Shall not be Heard." Prov. 21:13



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The Church of God Orphanage and Childrens Home

THE BLESSEDNESS OF GIVING OVER THAT OF RECEIVING

"Remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how He said, It is more blessed to give than to receive." Acts 20:35. This passage of Scripture is the precious gem of truth rescued from oblivion by the inspired apostle, which verifies the writings of the evangelist where he said, "And there are also many other things, which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written every one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written." John 21:25.

Therefore, we need not be astonished at finding Paul using a saying which he ascribed to Jesus, although it is not found in the writings of the evangelist. This is sufficient proof of the fact that Paul possessed a spirit of inspiration. This Scripture is given for the edification and instruction of all true believers throughout the gospel dispensation.

This, like many other things of God, appears to be so reverse to human nature, and the natural way of looking at things that it requires some careful consideration of the inspired truth in order to determine how it is that there is greater blessings in giving than there is in receiving. In the text we find that the blessedness is in that of giving, yet at the same time there is a blessedness in receiving, but the text infers that there is more in giving than in receiving.

It is blessed to receive a supply of our temporal needs. We would do well to remind ourselves daily of the many blessings that we are receiving from God, and how mindful He is of us to give us temporal blessings and to supply our daily needs. It looks as though it becomes so common that it is regarded as a natural event, or controlled by circumstances, or that of our own efforts, but it is our Heavenly Father who supplies our temporal needs. If His blessings were withdrawn, we would

soon find ourselves destitute and helpless. Truly it must have been a blessed time when the Lord blessed the few loaves and fishes and fed the multitude.

While we are receiving daily the blessings from the hand of God in a temporal way and He is providing us with pleasant homes, with good beds to rest our tired bodies on, food to eat, and good water to drink, surely a new fountain of gratitude should spring up within our hearts in such an unusual way, that we will obey the Scripture wherein we are taught, "In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you." While we are the happy recipients of these unnumbered blessings we should remember the unfortunate, the poor and neglected, who perhaps are not so favorably situated as we are.

While father, mother and children are all enjoying the pleasant home together surrounded by temporal blessings, we should remember the fatherless, the motherless and the homeless who are cast out on a cold-hearted world with no one to care and provide for them, as we do our own children. Can we further neglect these unpolished diamonds and allow them to pick in trash piles for something to eat, and search for a drygoods box in a back alley wherein they might pass the lonesome hours of the night? Surely it is time for the Church of God to gather them in, and provide a mother to train them and give them a home where they can be reared to the glory of God. Oh, if we could only get this Scripture deeply settled in our hearts, that it is more blessed to give than to receive.

This text is an expression of the Spirit of Jesus. When we look at His life's work, we see that it was that of giving and helping humanity. He was continually giving and helping

others, but there is scarcely any record of anyone giving to Him. Oh, that a greater measure of His Spirit would come on us and that the great Church of God would rise with new strength and a greater determination to become a greater blessing to humanity.

We are reminded of the many who were the objects of Christ's compassion on earth. Blind Bartimaeus needed help, and He gave it. The poor lepers in their helpless condition received blessings from His hands. Those who were scorched with fever received healing. The bereaved mother following her only son to the graveyard received her son back alive and those bound by Satan received freedom and liberty from Him. Truly it is blessed to receive sympathy and aid from such a friend, in a time of need.

When we think of the spiritual blessings that we have received and so richly enjoyed, this all added to the temporal and physical blessings, surely man is the most favored of all God's creation. Once man was holy and uprightly created in the image of God, but by transgression fell. In spite of the fact that he showed himself ungrateful toward God for what He had done, God in His infinite wisdom devised a plan and provided the means for his full restoration and redemption. In which plan abundant provisions were made that man could be recreated, born again, and made a child of God. God loved this lost world so much that He gave His only Son, that we might be the happy recipients of the many spiritual blessings provided for us. The blood of His own dear Son was given to cleanse the human heart from sin and make him holy as He commanded. The Holy Ghost was given that we might enjoy His comforting presence and to be our teacher and guide and lead us on to deeper truths and richer blessings.

Humanity, since the earliest dawn of creation, has constantly drawn on the resources of

heaven, for their continual needs of every nature. In view of this fact, we should renew our consecration to Him, and renew our covenant and count nothing earthly too dear to give up to go with Him, who promised to supply all of our needs, according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

The greater blessing. It is more blessed to give. It is an honorable privilege to give. These are days when men are striving for worldly honor. Men love to receive honor and applause. Some will resort to almost any means to obtain their desires, but those who scale the heights of honor and worldly fame through wicked and unfair means will go down in dishonor and disgrace sooner or later. But those who will obey the Lord and be true to Him, and render their humble service to humanity that He requires, will be honored not only in this world, but in the world to come.

It is more profitable to give. By being benevolent we improve our own character, and increase the talents that God has given and entrusted to us. And if we are true to the trust committed to us, our souls will be enriched and every dormant faculty of our being will be called into active service, and become developed beyond our dreams or imaginations. Unto him that hath shall be given. We cannot do good to others without benefiting ourselves. If we bless others, God will bless us. The stream of blessings which go out from us to bless others will return upon us again. It is more profitable to sow the golden grain than to lay it up. In liberal giving, we obtain an enlargement of soul and an expansion of our moral powers and in the great day of judgment when all of the assembled universe shall appear in the presence of the great judge, a cup of cold water given to a disciple in the name of a disciple shall not lose its reward. At that great day when the Lord shall look upon us and lift up the light of His countenance and say, "Come

ye blessed of my father inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: for I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat, I was thirsty and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger and ye took me in: naked and ye clothed me: I was sick and ye visited me: I was in prison and ye came unto me." Matt. 25:34-36.

While it is a mystery to the righteous that it is more blessed to give than to receive, it seems that this mystery is to continue until the great day of all days. The righteous in wonder and amazement inquired, "When saw we thee an hungred and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink? When saw we thee a stranger and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee? And when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee? And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Matt. 25:37-40.

The foregoing Scriptures convey the thought of the future blessings that await those who minister to the needy, as well as the sacred union of Christ and His humble followers. This lost world when turning to get a glimpse of the Saviour of men, the friend of sinners, has almost invariably looked in the wrong direction. The Jews looked for Him to come in royal splendor. They could not conceive the thought that the King was in a manger in the ox stall. They could hardly bear the thought that the promised Messiah should go among the poor and lowly, relieving the sick and suffering, opening the prison doors and setting at liberty them that are bruised. We in this nineteenth century did not enjoy the privilege of stepping in His footprints on the sands of the Galilean shores, but I wonder how many times He has knocked at our door and we have failed to recognize Him. How many times have we failed to meet or minister to Him when we have failed to visit some palefaced mother

who was breathing her last and going into eternity, leaving her precious little ones to the mercy of the world? She moved from under the responsibility of their care, protection and training and left the responsibility upon us. How many times have we failed to visit the prisons where some humble saint was locked within its confines because of this holy religion or a victim of circumstances? The Christ dwelling in their hearts we have the privilege to visit. Recently we have received letters from some of the prisons for us to send them the Church of God Evangel, which we have done and are waiting the opportunity to send others.

Oh, the Christ, the friend to the friendless, the one who looks with the eye of pity on the orphan left alone, where is He? Is He among the high and exalted of earth or among the poor and the lowly? Yea, He is in the place the least expected by this world. Instead of being found in the brownstone mansions He is found in the humble places of earth. To appear before Him at this great day and hear Him repeat the words of the Scriptures referred to, will be more blessed than for us to be in possession of the wealth of the world. Surely if we could solve the problem found in the text, we would begin to make investments that will not only bring us great dividends of blessings in this world but in the world to come, blessings untold. Surely it is more blessed to give than to receive.

"Is not this the fast that I have chosen? To loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burden, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke? Is it not to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are cast out to thy house? When thou seest the naked, that thou cover him; and that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh? Then shall thy light

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We invite all the workers to send us reports of interest from the battlefield. If nothing else a postal card telling where you are this week.

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A PLEA FOR THE ORPHANAGE

J. B. Ellis

Much will be said in this number concerning the orphanage by able writers, consequently, it will not be necessary for me to write a lengthy article on this line. I have not words to express my interest in the orphanage work. To be here where one can see the needs of this work and have to read the pitiful pleas of those who are writing us for admission of phans into our home, then have to sit down and write them that we can't receive them because we already have more than we can care for properly, is enough to break one's heart. But this we have often had to do, only to receive another letter by friends of those who apply for help stating that the children are worthy subjects and urging us to reconsider and admit them, (sometimes this is repeated several times) and still have to turn them down. It is enough to break a heart of stone and yet we have to do this, and why? just for want of means. Who is responsible? My brothers and sisters, I leave it for you to answer. God seems to be just rolling up responsibilities before us till it looks like He thought we could do anything. Do you reckon He thinks we can do more than we can? We beg God to give us something to do and then instead of opening our eyes and ears to the cries and pleadings of these poor unfortunates we begin to seek an opportunity to go out and preach or conduct meetings. I know of many who are trying to answer the call to service in this way who could do more real good in one week by giving what they could earn at work than they are doing in a whole year trying to preach. They wonder why they have such a hard time, why they can't get their expenses, why they don't have

more success and victory. Let me suggest a change; call off a ten days meeting or a ten days hunt for a meeting and get a job and work ten days for the orphans and see if you won't feel better about it. Suppose every member of the church would give one day's work for the orphanage. What would be the results? Allowing a general average of one dollar each we would have about twenty-five thousand dollars. This would mean so much to the cause just at this time. Our property could be freed from debt and still have a large operating capital. You see what could be done by every body sacrificing a little. One week's labor consecrated to the Church of God would remove every dollar of indebtedness from the Church and leave her with a large operating capital. Let every members of the Church make it a point to sacrifice a little in behalf of the orphanage work. How can you eat bread and not remember the orphans? Job said if he had done that thing for his arm to drop from his shoulder blade. (See Job 31:17, 22.) O let us get up and begin to do something for God. Two things should be made prominent features of Sunday school work, orphanage and missions. Every Sunday school should have a mission and orphanage band to push this work and see that the school has an opportunity to contribute to this work every Sunday. If you didn't want to take a public offering, small boys and girls could take little baskets or collection cards and canvass the congregation before and after the services and solicit donations. In town and cities they could work through the week in the homes of the people and accomplish great things for God. This would be

giving them employment and train them for service.

Let us all make a tremendous effort for the orphanage work. Read carefully every word in this special number of the Evangel and note all the suggestions and adopt some plan of systematic effort in your church or school to help this much neglected and needy cause. And may God's richest blessings rest upon you. Amen.

REQUESTS

Hulda Stant, Wynne, Ark., wants all who know God to earnestly intercede with Him for her healing.

Hattie Barnwell, Pomona Roads, Tenn., requests prayer for her and her husband to be healed of pellagra.

Oliva Underwood, Smithville, Tenn., requests prayer that she may grow stronger in the faith and that her husband may be saved before it is too late.

Esther Hogan, Albemarle, N. C., wants all the saints to pray for her husband to get closer to the Lord and that she will be what the Lord would have her be.

Mrs. Lillie Smith, Varnell, Ga., desires the saints to pray that she may get closer to the Lord and please Him in all things and that her husband may receive the blessing. Pray that they may bring up their children right.

Emma West, Citra, Fla., asks all the saints to pray that her husband may be healed of paralysis and that a Church of God person may be sent to that place. Also pray that she will stay humble at Jesus' feet till He comes or calls.

John L. Glasscock, Winnsboro, La., asks prayer that his wife may be filled with the Holy Ghost and that the rest of his loved ones may be saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Also pray that they may have grace to rear their little ones to His honor and glory.

NOTICES

I would like for a good preacher to come to this place and build up the cause of Christ.

Sam Wilky,
Ravenscroft, Tenn.

I am entering the evangelistic work and will consider calls after June 1.

S. J. Mullins, Church of God
bishop,
Cary, Ky.

I would like for some one to come to the Cotton Mills near West Point, Miss., and hold a meeting.

Ollie May Johann,
39 Jordan Ave.,
West Point, Miss.

To the Church of God in General:

There will be an all day service and dinner on the ground at North Chattanooga July 4.

The service will begin promptly at 10 o'clock. The entire day will be devoted to praising and honoring our Christ. Brother J. S. Llewellyn will be with us and will preach just before noon. Other able speakers will speak during the afternoon.

Com one, come all and enjoy the day with us. Be sure and bring a full basket. This means you!

Your brother in Christ,
J. W. Nelson, pastor.
North Chattanooga, July 4.
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To All the Churches On the Johnson City District:

Our convention will be held June 22-24. Brother M. W. Lettinger, our state overseer, will be in charge.

We will expect the pastors, deacons and workers to be present. We want every church to be

represented if possible. We will make arrangements for all who come to stay free. I wish that all who plan to come would write me by June 15. We expect to have all day meeting and dinner on the ground, Sunday, June 24. Everybody come expecting a good time in the Lord and help us boost Johnson City.

I. H. Brabson, district pastor,
Johnson City, Tenn.

Letter of Appreciation

Tsinanfu, Shantung, China,
May 2, 1923.

Our Precious Brother Llewellyn: All glory, honor, thanksgiving and praise be unto our God who hath heard and answered our prayers and brought deliverance at this time.

Truly our hearts are melted before Him and we do desire to show our appreciation by a close walk and fruitful service for Him in this dark land of China.

How we do thank you, our Brother, for your immediate response to our cable which we were forced to send you. Now we can go on with the work and the working of the enemy is already being routed. Praise the Lord!

Our little baby, Deborah, had been quite sick for several days but the dear Lord wonderfully healed her and I was so tired last night from loss of sleep I retired earlier than usual and the letter from the Bank notifying of your cable of money came after I went to sleep. Sister Ina thought it only a statement from the bank and put it upon my little desk near my room door. I was awakened about three this A. M. and as I felt rested and the desire for sleep gone, thought I would get up and finish my financial report which I have been preparing for headquarters. I went to Sister Ina's room and she mentioned to me about the letter from the bank and said she wondered if it could be anything regarding a cable from you. I came and got it and opened it and sure enough it was. Well you can imagine how happy we were.

We immediately went to prayer and thanksgiving before God as useless and unworthy as we are. He has been merciful unto us and has seen fit to save this work and effort of years. In behalf of the heathens and those in darkness He has done it. Glory to His name! Truly our hearts are most grateful to God and to you. I shed tears of joy, especially when I saw the date of your cable—that you had answered at once. Truly as I told Sister Ina, it was like Gabriel coming to Daniel and lifting him up. I felt I had been lifted upon my feet, literally and spiritually. Praise God forever!

The burden has been so heavy and naturally all looking to me until it has pressed me terribly at times. Occasionally I would pray through it but would sink back into it again and on and on it has gone until there seemed no way to turn, hence, the absolute necessity of sending you the cable last week.

Later. I began this very early and had hoped to finish it together with our financial report up to date and mail with this but have been so busy today that I failed to get my report copied so will have to mail it separate—perhaps tomorrow. You will perhaps want to publish it—just as you feel about it. I think it would be of interest to the saints to read it inasmuch as it will give them a better insight into our affairs out here in general.

Since the Assembly last year failed to give us any instructions out here we have put them in ourselves and, in fact, it requires a knowledge of the situation on the field to know how to act in many cases. I will outline it all in my report. In my letter tomorrow I hope to explain all fully.

I'll send this one as it may get to the coast just in time for a

Every church and Sunday school would do well to manifest a special interest in the Church of God Orphanage and Childrens Home at Cleveland, Tenn. This is a work that should appeal to the sympathy of one and all. When we think of the hundreds of poor and neglected, those who have no one to care and provide for them, it certainly is time that we should come to realize the tremendous responsibility that is on us.

We now have thirty-two children in the home. With the matron and her assistants and helpers makes thirty-seven in all. We have a great number of worthy applicants for admission, which we are forced to temporarily delay on account of shortage of finance.

If every church and Sunday school would only feel that this is their work, and that the responsibility is on the Church in general to provide for and to perpetuate this worthy institution by taking up a special offering for the Orphanage work Childrens Day, Sunday, June 10. If for any reason this should not be convenient time for you, select another time at the earliest date possible. As the running expenses of the Home are very heavy, it will be very necessary to have some immediate help in order to meet some pressing bills.

While we are insisting that the churches and Sunday schools should manifest perpetual interest in the support of this work, it would also be well to remember that individuals may enjoy the privilege of sending their contribution by check or money order direct to the Church of God Orphanage and Childrens Home, Cleveland, Tenn. All funds will be properly receipted by return mail.

Some of our members and friends wish to contribute supplies for the home but many times do not know just what is needed. In order for you to determine just what is needed or can be used in the home, it would be well for you to take into consideration the necessities of your own home, and then remember that the same things can be used in the Orphans Home as we are endeavoring to make it as homelike for the precious little children as it is possible. If you have a boy who has outgrown his suits they can be used in the home. If you have little girls who have outgrown their clothing, we have a number of bright faced little girls who can use them. Whatever your children need and enjoy these children would also enjoy, if they had the privilege.

Let every church and Sunday school select some live workers for the Church of God Orphanage and Childrens Home.

boat, or it may not and both come to you by the same mail. I am anxious to get word to you as soon as possible of arrival of money.

We prayed this A. M. that if you had to advance this money that God would mightily move on the hearts of the saints to make it up speedily so that you need not be put to any embarrassment over the situation. Also we received your letter last week with enclosure of \$200.00 which we acknowledge with thanks. It came after we sent the cable.

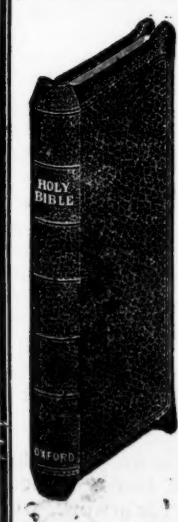
You'll pardon me addressing you as "Precious Brother" for this once. I was so rejoiced that you attended to business so quickly in such a business like

way and saved the work—rescued us as it were when there seemed no way and humely speaking nothing to do but go down in defeat, therefore, in behalf of the work here and souls yet in darkness who we hope to seek out I address you thus.

Your sister in His service,
Jennie B. Rushin.

P. S. I don't mean to infer that this money sets us straight out here but that it goes such a long way toward it until it will only be a very short time until it is all cleared.

Kind regards from Miss Yingst and myself to yourself, family and to all the office force, and love from Mr. Rushin who seldom writes to anyone but his wife.



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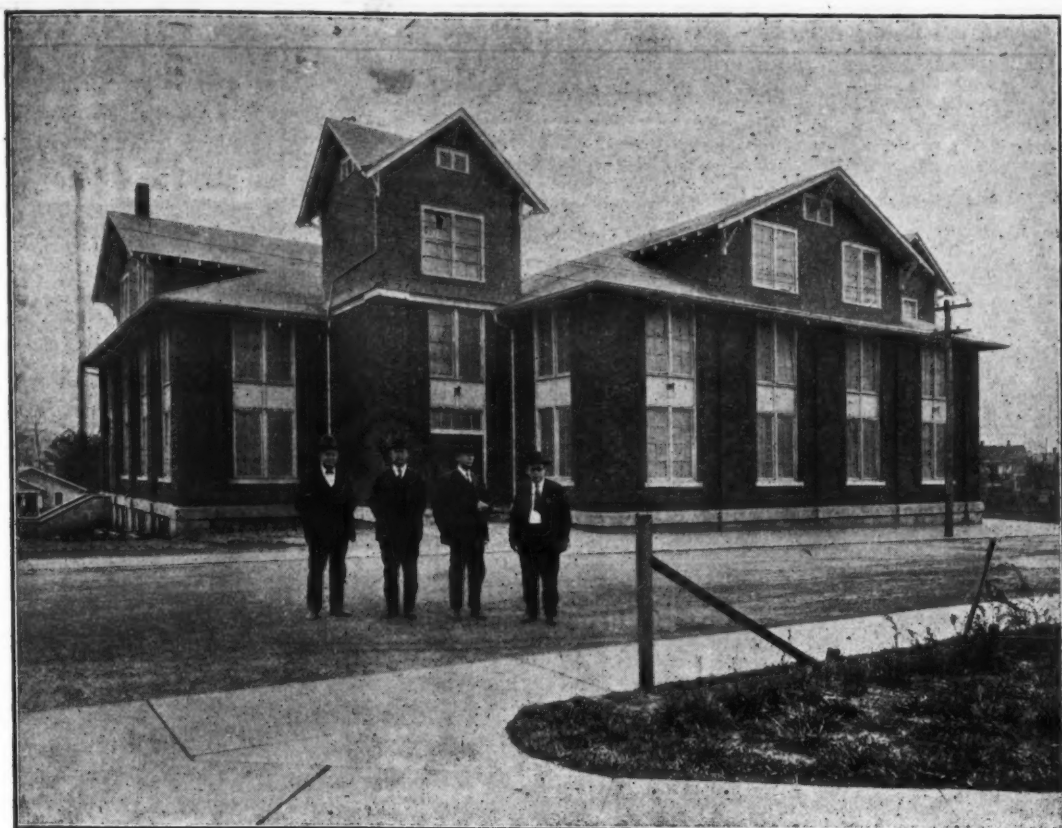
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"I WILL NOT LEAVE YOU COMFORTLESS."

The above is a statement that Jesus made to His disciples on breaking the news to them, and seeing that they were greatly affected by the thought that He was going to heaven and leave them. No doubt that His great heart of sympathy went out toward them as He saw the expression on their faces, perhaps tears running down their cheeks. He said, "Let not your hearts be troubled" and to further comfort them He told them of the mansion He was going to prepare for them, and that He would come again and receive them unto Himself. But what about them while He was gone? Oh, He said, "I will not leave you comfortless," the margin says "orphans." I will not leave you orphans." This shows that Jesus considered the little orphan children. He knew all about what it meant for little children to be left alone in this world. Thousands of little children are left as the disciples were. They cry when papa goes to heaven and are heart-broken when mamma is taken. Night after night the dear little fellows lay upon their bed and weep because they have no papa or mamma to care for them or speak a kind word to them, and doubtless hundreds of times wish that they, too, could go to heaven.

Can we not by mental vision look into the faces of thousands of little tots and see the same expression of sorrow that Jesus saw on the faces of His disciples? Then can we not say as Jesus said to them, "I will not leave you comfortless"? It is true that He sent the Holy Ghost to take His place, to be a comfort to them, as a parent comforts the children. "I will not leave you orphans." How does this apply to us and the many little orphans? If our heart of sympathy goes out for them as Jesus' heart did for His disciples, we will say, "I will not leave you orphans." "I will step in and be a father, a mother to you." "I will not leave you comfortless." "I will use every effort I can for your comfort." "I will prepare a home for you where you may have balm poured upon your broken heart." This the Church of God has undertaken to do.

We have three neat homes at Cleveland, Tennessee, and those connected with them are doing all they can to keep the little ones from being comfortless. They have good beds to sleep in, also plenty of clothes and plenty to eat. They are being educated and their spiritual interest is especially looked after. But why is all this? It is because some are putting forth an effort that they should not be left comfortless. But only a comparative few are taking any interest in

this. Just think if the twenty thousand members of the Church of God would take an interest, what a great orphanage work we could have!

How May I Keep Them From Being Comfortless?

This question should be asked and answered by every member. But I will answer, Do every thing you can for their comfort.

What are some things that might be done? The first I will mention, another state might build another home. Kentucky has built one, Cleveland has built one, and there is plenty of ground for others. But the most comforting thing I could mention now would be money. Money is the medium that keeps the thing in operation. Everybody knows that money moves things. It takes money to buy flour, meat, lard, sugar, coal, clothes, etc. and all of this is for their comfort. Will you leave them comfortless? We are in special need of money now, that is why this special number of the paper is going out, to stir up the pure minds of those who seem to have forgotten the little orphans.

Outstretched Hands

Many are holding out their little hands and saying, "take me." "Oh, comfort my little heart." With sadness, many have been turned away. And those in charge would lament, and say, "Oh, if we only had the money we would take every one that knocks for admission, but we haven't," and they turn their back on the little ones to leave them comfortless. Well whose fault was it? Was it the fault of those in charge that the tots were turned away? No, they would have gladly taken them but you didn't send the means to comfort them with, therefore, they had to be turned away comfortless. Who will say with Jesus, I will not leave you comfortless."

Home Like

In orphan homes generally the children are kept in one large building, but the thought of having the cottages was that it would seem more like home to the children. We keep the boys and girls in separate homes, with competent help in each home. Sister Kinsey having the general oversight. She is a real matron and knows just how to do, and every child loves her. They call her mother and she looks after them just like she would her own girls.

Brother and Sister Williams have the oversight of the boys. It is true that boys sometimes need fatherly advice and Brother Williams is right on the job. While he is firm with them they all love him. Sister

Williams, because of her pleasant turn, has them all loving her. I feel sure that we could not get a better crew or force to take care of the work. So about all the thing needed now is finance. More finance to the home will bring more children to the home. With this I will close hoping that these few words will stir up some to help in this very worthy cause.

This was written about three o'clock in the morning as I sat in the train going the long stretch to the Florida camp meeting at Wimauma. Sadness is on the train—a corpse lays in the baggage car, hurled into eternity, having been crushed to death by a moving train. The monster death is bringing sorrow to many hearts, but the comfortless have our sympathy.

A Great Opportunity

Hattie Jackson

The Orphanage gives the Church of God one of the very best opportunities to do a good work, and of course we are "zealous of good works."

Those of you who have not helped in this work because you think it is going and will keep going on without your efforts say, "Oh, I have faith in God and the Church of God, the work will go on." You ought to read James 2:14-20 and show your faith by your works.

I feel that it is such a great privilege to gather these little homeless ones and train them for God and the Church. Every member ought to be doing something toward the support of the Home.

Instead of children begging us for admittance, we ought to be able to take every one we could get and advertise for more.

"Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do with thy might." Beloved, let us go into the work with heart and soul and each do his very best this coming year. Let us help feed, clothe and train the little ones that God places in our care. Think what a great work they will do in a few years from now if Jesus tarries.

Let us give cheerfully as unto the Lord and He will bless us abundantly. We surely ought to have faith enough to give liberally to His cause, knowing that we shall in no wise lose our reward. "To whom much is given, much is required." Let those who haven't much to give remember the widow's mite.

When we think of our eternal home and the great things in store for us over there we can afford to make a few sacrifices here in this short life where things are of such short duration and times flies so fast—Tomorrow we will hardly miss the things we deny ourselves of today.

We surely can find plenty of opportunities to "lay up

treasures in heaven." After all, it isn't what we say but what we do that counts most. "Let us arise and work."

A Wonderful Victory For Walker Church

This little church was set in order a few years ago with the saints on fire for God. They would sing and shout and stand on the Word of God.

Since then the house has burned down and a new one has been built. While they had no house they held their meetings in the grove and from home to home. People rocked the house and many discouraging things were done. Many wanted all the saints to transfer their membership to some other Church of God.

The dark cloud has now passed over and it seems that the saints have mounted up as eagles above the clouds. The saints have victory by holding on to God. It is no trouble now to get a preacher for the saints are all on fire for God. We have a Sunday school.

We had an all day service and dinner on the ground the third Sunday. The service opened with song, How Beautiful Heaven Must Be, and music by the Stockton string band. The Sunday school had prepared a penny box for the orphan children at Cleveland, Tenn., and the school was marching around and putting their pennies in when the sweetest and most touching event occurred, a little girl began crying because she had no penny for the little orphan children. Some one gave her a penny and her tears dried away and they continued their march, dropping their pennies in the box. After this Brother Houston Miller delivered an able sermon. We then dismissed for noon and a nice dinner was spread for all.

After dinner they were called together with singing and music by the band. We had a hot testimony service and then a brief message by Floyd Underwood. We then observed the Lord's supper and feet washing. The saints shouted, danced and talked in tongues. Press on, dear saints of God, for there is always victory ahead.

A Friend,
Eastman, Miss.

Sunday School Interested in the Orphans

The Church of God Sunday school at Harlan, Ky., has a small box for the purpose of taking up an offering every Sunday for the Orphans Home. It is very interesting to see all the little children putting their pennies and nickles in the box.

Brother Whit Denson and three children from Arley, Ala., with their brass band, were with us a few days and played for us. While they were with us we had some nice banners printed and put them on the cars and gave

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all the children a ride over town, Brother Denson and his children were in front with their music. We drove to the depot and made music there and back to church. We received a nice offering and sent \$31.78 to the Orphanage. Then Brother G. A. Fore, our pastor, preached a wonderful sermon on the Church which was enjoyed by all lovers of the truth.

We hope Brother Denson can be with us again. May God bless him and his children in their work.

B. H. Enix,
Harlan, Ky.

A Little Helper And Sympathizer

To The Church of God Orphanage At Cleveland, Tenn:
I am a little boy ten years old and have a little home with

father and mother. We are poor, but when mama would tell me of the little children up there without mama and papa I couldn't spend my twenty-five cents for anything else. So I am sending it to the little orphans. Maybe it will help to buy them something.

Your loving little friend,
Otto Warner,
Clifty, Tenn.

All of our members and friends would do well to order at least one copy of the BOOK OF MINUTES, which is brimful of valuable information. This book gives a brief history of the church since 1886 and more especially including the first and thirteenth annual Assemblies. We can also furnish you a copy of the fourteenth, fifteenth, sixteenth and seventeenth minutes, which includes the last Annual Assembly. Book of Minutes \$1.25.

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He That Hath Pity Upon The Poor Lendeth Unto The Lord

Lillian Kinsey

"Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and to keep himself unstained from the world." James 1:27. This means something for us all to do. You in your small corner and I in mine.

"He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the Lord; and that which he hath given will he pay him again." Prov. 19:17.

Whatever, Lord, we lend to thee, Repaid a thousand fold shall be; Then gladly will we give to thee Who gavest all.

Yes, indeed, let us consider what Jesus has sacrificed and suffered for us so when we are giving our life, our strength, our means, our all, or whatever it may be to Jesus, or it may be to the orphans, let us remember Jesus said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Matt. 25:40. "For I was an hungry, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: Naked, and ye clothed me." Matt. 25:35, 36.

In the year 1905 the dear Lord called me to this kind of work and the promise He gave me was, "And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away." 1 Pet. 5:4. I am still working for that crown and not for money on these conditions. "Taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind; Neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being ensamples to the flock." 1 Pet. 5:2, 3.

We find that this is a sacrificing life if we follow in the footsteps of Jesus, our pattern and example, who came not to please Himself but went about doing good and helping others. So while I give my time and life to Jesus for the orphans, and you give your goods and substance to feed and support them—then we are all working together for the crown.

How grand it will be, when we trade the old cross for the crown and have finished our work down here so, dear ones, let us not grow weary in our labors here for it will not be long until we see Jesus.

We know you dear ones have been and are praying and giving and supporting our needs here in the home. The following is a copy of a letter I received from Baldwin Park Cal., that came near Christmas time. The offering was published in the January report. I was very much impressed and delighted with the manner in which the Sunday School contributed and their box of treats was so nice. The superintendent acted as chairman. I think this is a fine plan.

"The Church of God Orphanage, Cleveland, Tenn.

"Dear Ones in Christ—Greetings:

"I am sending today a box of gifts from our Sunday school here which I hope will reach you safely and bring a little Christmas cheer although it will be a little delayed. We did not think of this early enough to get it sent before Christmas but each one who desired brought their gift Christmas night and laid it in a little manger. It is considered a gift to Him and in His name. We send it with love and prayers. The cash is the offering just as it was taken off the Bible.

"With good wishes for a New Year full of blessings to the little orphans and those who have the care of them, we beg to be remembered as big and little brothers and sisters in Christ,

"The Baldwin Park Sunday School."

There is a little incident told, either a dream or vision, of a man who had given his overcoat to a poor needy man. Later he saw Jesus wearing that same coat. It may be that some of you

who have given will see Jesus enjoying some of the good things you have sacrificed to give to the needy orphan child or see Him wearing some of the garments you sent, or your money helped to purchase, which you gave at a sacrifice. We believe many are giving at a real sacrifice. "Cast thy bread upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days." Eccl. 11:1.

The following is a copy of a letter from a dear sister in Tennessee:

"To The Dear People Who Have the Care and Protection of the Dear Little People Who Have No Parents:

"Please accept this from one who loves every one of the dear little souls. Oh, little dears, how I wish I were rich enough to send every poor needy soul something but as I am cast among the poor I can't help much. But, sister, as one who loves God, the dear little children, the Church and her teachings and one who wants to see my dear Lord when I leave this world I am sending a few little things that I can do without.

"The towel was given to me for a Christmas present four years ago, and the doily was too. But the handkerchiefs, I was making them and thinking of the home when it seemed like someone said, 'Send them to Cleveland.' It didn't seem like they were mine any longer. So I am sending them with love. I beg your prayers that I may stay humble and do my Lord's most holy will and that when I get able to work I will have work so I can have something to give to the Church, also my little orphan brothers and sisters as I was left an orphan at three days old. Pray for my family. The little thimble is sent by a little four year old girl and we all send apples. God bless all your children.

"Your sister in Christ, P. S. O I do wish I could help the Evangel."

Another letter from a sister in Virginia:

"The Church of God Orphanage: "I am sending a little package of things by parcel post that I think maybe you can use. You may do just what you want with them, for I know it will be used for the glory of God. I wish I were able to help more. But, praise God, His Spirit woke me up one night praying and asking God to help the little children. I was praying in my sleep as loud as I could and thanked God for the good home for them and for the good people that are helping and will help. I want to do something for Jesus as He has done so much for me. Praise God for holiness.

"With a heart full of love, A Sister."

We want all to know we do not despise the day of small things," but appreciate all that is sent and try to use it to the very best advantage and see that nothing is lost or wasted. As Jesus taught His disciples when He fed the multitude, "Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost." It is to the glory of the Lord that we economize.

You who have children can no doubt realize something of what it means to see after thirty-two children and twenty-four in school and the daily needs which are many. I was figuring our milk and butter bill the other day and said, "We are paying over \$10.00 per week for milk and butter alone (and that at a reduction to the home). One little girl spoke up and said, "Well, I guess I will have to quit eating." No, I am sure none of us want them to have to quit eating for milk and butter is one of the best foods for children we can get. But we may need to pray a little more for means to supply our needs and meet our bills.

The other day the little boys came for tooth paste. I told them that we did not have any and said, "I guess you children

had better pray for some." In two or three days we received a package and there were three tubes of paste in it. Praise the Lord! Ask nothing doubting and ye shall receive.

We need your prayers for wisdom and spiritual help for it truly means something these days to "Train up a child in the way he should go." Prov. 22:6. But we are commanded to by our Lord so we praise Him because He will be our helper when we depend on Him and obey His Word. Our girls and boys need close, prayerful and careful attention for the enemy's power is so strong in these last days so near the end, and there are so many snares and pitfalls for their young feet; pride, fashion, worldliness and so many things to allure them from God and the old paths our fathers trod and the narrow way which is the only way to heaven.

Dear Church of God mothers, you know we will have to meet our children at the judgment and give an account of how we trained them and we cannot be too careful teaching them modesty (a lost virtue). One writer has said, Let us dress our girls for God as becometh women professing holiness, not conforming to this world but in modest apparel. God is not pleased with such nakedness, low necks, short sleeves, short skirts and bare knees. Our young ladies of today would be ashamed to associate with the women they are patterning after in dress. How can we afford as Bible women, Christians and Church of God mothers countenance any such dressing and conforming to the world when we are told plainly in Rom. 12:2, "And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God."

I am fearless to make these statements for I know God is not pleased with such dressing and the Bible will bear me out. And of late as a few of us meet most every day to pray together God is warning us on many lines and says, "Study my Word; stand on my Word. Other things and people are failing but My Word shall never fail. You are safe. You need not fear if you will stand upon my Word. Delusions are coming, heresy, and different spirits, but try the spirits. My Word and My Spirit agree." We are told to cry aloud and spare not and to lift up our voice like a trumpet. I believe some of us will be guilty before God if we go on much longer and refrain from crying out against these awful evils of today that are leading our young people away from God. My soul cries out at this hour. O God, forbid that I should fail to sound the alarm and give the warning. I surely do not want to meet Jesus and have some one point their finger at me and say, "You did not warn me." I surely do not want the blood of any soul on my skirts when Jesus comes. I am here to do the will of my God and if I please Him, it is worth more than all the approval of people. We must be true to God, His Word and His Church, or else we will be an utter failure. I must be true to these orphan children so please pray that God will help me to be just the mother that will please Him.

Right here I want to thank God for Christian parents that brought me up in the way that I should go and when I became grown I did not depart from it. Praise God! When I was young the way seemed rather narrow for me, but, today, I rejoice in this very narrow way and it is not too straight for me. Because when Jesus sanctified me about twenty years ago He told me by His precious Word repeatedly as I would open my Bible, "Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever." 1 John 2:15-17.

The dear Lord then told me



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how that by denying myself of unnecessary, costly apparel, I could help others in need and when He comes I hope to have some little part in the harvesting in foreign fields, though I may never go in person. Right here I want to say that we, as a church, are not sacrificing for the needs of our dear missionaries and the heathen in the foreign fields as we should.

I was traveling as nurse with a millionaire family in Europe and while we were enjoying the grand scenery of God's handiwork; the magnificent mountains; the picturesque lakes and valleys, yet in it all and living in ease and luxury, there was a feeling of loneliness. We have walked the streets and watched the busy throng and passers-by but oh, that feeling of being a stranger in a strange land; longing for a word we could understand and wishing for a face that we had ever looked into before. This alone is a sacrifice that not many are willing to make. Then to think of souls on your heart, knowing that they are looking to you to teach them of Jesus and the care of the Church and all the financial part and limited means! O dear saints, I wish I could cause some of you to feel this like I do. God bless dear Sister Rushin and family in China and dear Brother Padgett in the Bahamas. I know we could sacrifice and deny ourselves more than we are doing.

This was to be written for the Orphanage issue but there are many needy orphans in China and some way, while I am here in the work in person, yet my heart goes out for China's need and other places and on other lines. So if I missed my subject it is a fault of the head and not the heart for really my heart is for the Church of God and its teaching, principles and doctrine as laid down in the New Testament (our discipline) which we must live by, measure up to, and finally be judged by—our looking glass.

We sing, The way is very narrow but I'll follow. Truly God is trying to show us as we meet together to pray, how very narrow the way is—no room for anything that is not like Jesus or for His glory. Dear saints, let us strive to enter in and pay every vow or promise we have ever made to our God for He is looking, listening and seeing our hearts.

It may be that some will not agree with all I have said. Let me ask you to get your Bibles and go down in prayer and search His Word and get it in your hearts, chapter and verse. I believe that since God has been talking to some of us so plainly of late that the time has come when we should no longer hold our peace when we are aware of evil creeping into the Church. One message was, "Awake, awake my people, sound the alarm, blow the trumpet loud." If God is displeased and grieved with some things that are going on we

surely ought to be, too, if we are His true children.

Dear saints, please pray that our faith and strength fail not for truly I mean to go all the way with Jesus, no matter what the cost. May the dear Lord bless you all. I want you who have sent in your offerings, donations and gifts of every kind, big and little, and have been the means of others giving and you who have so carefully packed the boxes and barrels and no doubt, sent them with a prayer, do not ever feel that it is unnoticed by the great eye that is ever watching over us all. We know He loves and cares when our poor little weak hearts are made to rejoice and sometimes to weep for joy to see how some are giving, sacrificing and denying themselves.

When we all get to heaven, What a time of rejoicing that will be; When we all see Jesus (and each other), We will shout and sing the victory.

It will take more than testimony to get us there. May the dear Lord add His blessings. "He that hath a bountiful eye shall be blessed; for he giveth of his bread to the poor." Prov. 22:9.

THE BLESSEDNESS OF GIVING OVER THAT OF RECEIVING (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)

break forth as the morning, and thine health shall spring forth speedily; and thy righteousness shall go before thee; the glory of the Lord shall be thy reward. Then shalt thou call, and the Lord shall answer; thou shalt cry, and He shall say, Here I am. If thou take away from the midst of thee the yoke—the putting forth of the finger, and speaking vanity; and if thou draw out thy soul to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted soul; then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkness be as the noonday. And the Lord shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy soul in drought, and make fat thy bones: and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not." Isa. 58:6-11.

From these Scriptures we are not only forced to believe that it is more blessed to give than to receive, but that many on account of their failure to comply with these Scriptures, no doubt, are suffering unnecessarily. If you are sick in body and need the blessing of healing, try to bless somebody else and God will bless you. We should deal our bread to the hungry and gather those who are cast out, homeless and friendless, and have the promise that our health shall spring forth speedily. There are wonderful blessings promised if we will only obey. I am now reminded of our precious Brother Pruitt of Corbin, Kentucky, who was in feeble health and God put the Orphanage work on his heart. He advanced the principle part of the money to build what is known as the Kentucky

Orphanage located here in Cleveland. I am informed, as a result of his obedience and providing quarters for the precious little orphan boys, that God has marvelously blessed him in his body, thus demonstrating the Scriptures above referred to. I am sure that he and those associated with him in this noble work will not loose their reward. This magnificent home stands as a monument to the honor of the great state of Kentucky. Surely showers of blessings will fall on the people who will dare to take God at His Word. These buildings belong to the Church of God and we, as members and friends of this great cause, have the noble privilege of obeying this Scripture by gathering the precious little orphans in and providing for them the comforts of life. And thereby receive the blessings promised.

Dear ones, let us draw a little closer together and have a heart to heart talk with each other. Suppose that you should be suddenly called into eternity and your precious little ones of those dear to you should be left alone, how would you feel if you knew they would be cast out on a cold-hearted world to wander with no place to call their home and no one to tell them of a Saviour who died for them, or of the road to the city of gold? Would it not gladden your heart to know that in the city of Cleveland, Tennessee, there was a home provided where they could receive a mother's care and Christian training. One precious mother sinking in death, soon to breathe her last with her feeble trembling voice left request that her little ones be placed in the Church of God Orphanage and Childrens Home, and then bid goodbye.

Dear loved, I will not appeal to you for a certain donation, but will make this request that you give this important work careful and prayerful consideration, and ask the Lord what He will have you do. "Remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said it is more blessed to give than to receive," and whatsoever He saith unto you, do it.

"A lady visited New York City, and saw on the sidewalk a ragged, cold and hungry little girl, gazing wistfully at some of the cakes in a shop window. She stopped, and, taking the little one by the hand, led her into the store. Though she was aware that bread might be better for the cold child than cake, yet, desiring to gratify the shivering and forlorn one, she bought and gave her the cake she wanted. She then took her to another place, where she procured for her a shawl and other articles of comfort. The grateful little creature looked the lady full in the face, and, with artless simplicity, said, "Are you God's wife?" Oh, that is what the church claims to be—Christ's bride. May our actions be such that people can see the relationship and likeness without being told."